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SUBJECT: MARINE AND SEABEE HOUSING AT ALEXANDRIA

- 1. CAPTAIN WILLIAM VACCA, ASSISTANT REGIONAL MARINE OFFICER, BEIRUT, INFORMED ME THIS MORNING THAT HE HAD RECEIVED TELEPHONE CALL FROM NCOIC MSG AT CAIRO. NCOIC STATED THAT HE HAD BEEN INFORMED BY RSO FLANAGAN THAT QUOTE ON AMBASSADOR'S ORDERS UNQUOTE THE MARINES AND SEABEES AT ALEXANDRIA ARE TO MOVE OUT OF THEIR HOUSING BY 1 JULY. NCOIC SAID THAT POSSIBILITY EXISTS MARINES AND SEABEES MAY BE GRANTED PERMISSION TO MOVE INTO SCHOOL BUILDING BUT THAT HE IS UNACQUAINTED WITH AMENITIES AVAILABLE IN THAT BUILDING AND WHETHER THEY ARE ADEQUATE.
- 2. REQUEST YOU INFORM BY IMMEDIATE TELEGRAPHIC REPLY AN ACCURATE ACCOUNT OF THE SITUATION AT ALEXANDRIA, INCLUDING YOUR VIEWS ON ADEQUACY OF THE SCHOOL FOR ACCOMMODATION OF PERSONNEL CONCERNED. FURTHER, IF SCHOOL IS NOT ADEQUATE, WHAT DOES POST INTEND TO DO ABOUT PROVIDING QUARTERS.
- 3. QUESTION NATURALLY ARISES WHETHER THIS CRISIS COULD NOT HAVE BEEN FORESEEN AND ADEQUATE PLANNING AND ATTENTION GIVEN TO PROVISIONS OF QUARTERS. FAIL TO UNDERSTAND WHY RSS AND DEPARTMENT HAVE NOT BEEN ADVISED OF PROBLEM PRIOR TO THIS DATE. GODLEY

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